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PROGRESS IN DECATUR COUNTY

Greensburg (04-18; 3-15-04): Officials gathered today to finalize the details of the USDA Rural Development financing package that will enable the Decatur County Rural Water Corporation to improve and expand its service to area residents. The Corporation's infrastructure project is being supported by a USDA Rural Development low interest loan of \$2,075,100 and a \$1,691,000 grant.

Ersel Rogers, Decatur County Rural Water Corporation Board President, and other members of the Board joined USDA Rural Development Community Programs Director Gregg Delp to put the finishing touches on the financing package. Rogers said, "We are continuing our efforts to supply a safe water supply for Decatur County."

The Corporation currently serves 630 residents. The Corporation's planned major water system improvements include the extension of water lines and associated appurtenances that will serve the 630 existing users and 346 new users.

Delp added, "USDA Rural Development is committed to the future and long-term viability of America's rural areas. The availability of reliable water service is critical to their health and prosperity. We salute all those involved in making this project a reality."

Last year USDA Rural Development invested nearly \$31 million in Indiana assisting rural areas construct or improve their wastewater disposal systems and water systems. Single family home loans, rural rental housing, water and waste water facility funding, business and industry loans, and community facility loans and grants are financial resources available from USDA Rural Development. Questions concerning these services in this area can be directed to USDA Rural Development, 1110 Amos Road, Suite A, Shelbyville, IN 46176-2806; phone 317-392-1394, extension 4.